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PATENT  
Customer No. 22,852  
Attorney Docket No. 04329.2431

**IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE**

In re Application of: )  
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Kotaro ENDO et al. ) Group Art Unit: 2157  
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Application No.: 09/667,769 ) Examiner: H. El Chanti  
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Filed: September 22, 2000 )  
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For: METHOD FOR DETERMINING A ) Confirmation No.: 8176  
SERVER COMPUTER WHICH )  
CARRIED OUT A PROCESS )  
MOST RECENTLY, AND HIGH )  
AVAILABILITY COMPUTER )  
SYSTEM )

Commissioner for Patents  
P.O. Box 1450  
Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

Sir:

**STATUS INQUIRY**

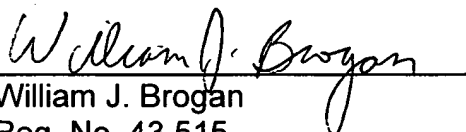
According to our records, a Resubmission of Petition to Withdraw Holding of Abandonment Based on Failure to Receive Office Action was filed June 17, 2005, regarding the above-identified application. In a telephone conference at the time, the Examiner indicated that the resubmitted Petition would be granted quickly.

In view of these circumstances, the undersigned attorney respectfully requests that the Office advise him of the status of this petition and application as soon as possible in order to determine whether further action by the Applicants is required at this time.

Respectfully submitted,

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Dated: December 15, 2005

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